

CS 6301

Lecture 2. **Text** Classification

Outline - Key Concepts

NLP

- Text Classification
- Language Modeling
- Word Representations/Embedding

ML

- Discriminative Model vs Generative Model
- Objective Function
- Gradient Descent
- Evaluation
- Statistical Testing
- Feed-forward Neural Networks and Recurrent Neural Networks

Text Classification

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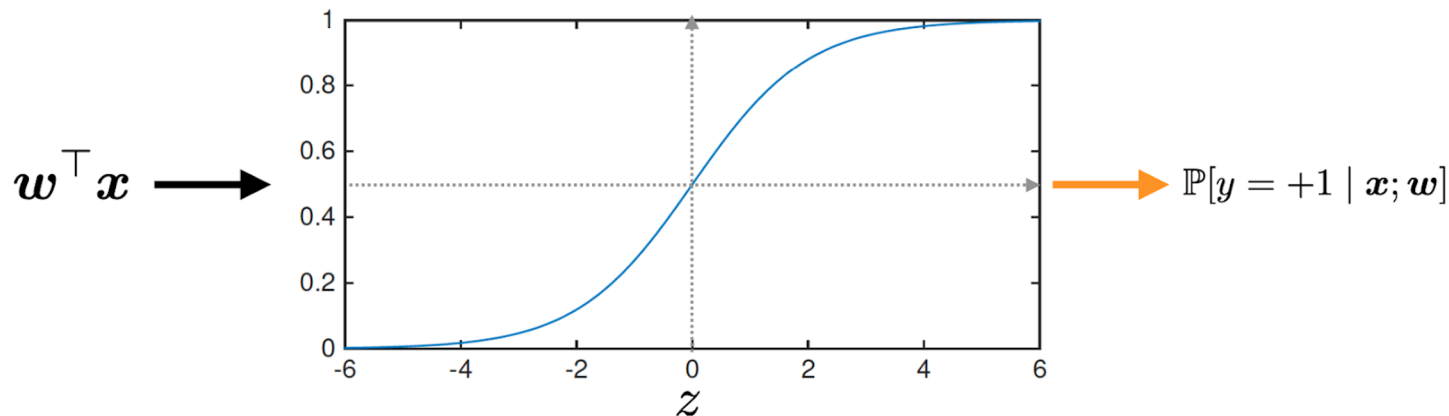
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From Prediction Score to Probability



Sigmoid for Binary Classification

$$\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$



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Softmax for Multi-class Classification

Softmax extends the idea of sigmoid into a multi-class classification. It converts scores to a probability distribution of class labels.

The predicted probability for the j 'th class given a sample vector \mathbf{x} and a weighting vector \mathbf{w} is

$$P(y = j \mid \mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w}_j}}{\sum_{k=1}^K e^{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w}_k}}$$

Softmax Example

$$P(y = j \mid \mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w}_j}}{\sum_{k=1}^K e^{\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w}_k}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{z_1} = e^8 = 2981.0$$

$$e^{z_2} = e^5 = 148.4$$

$$e^{z_3} = e^0 = 1.0$$

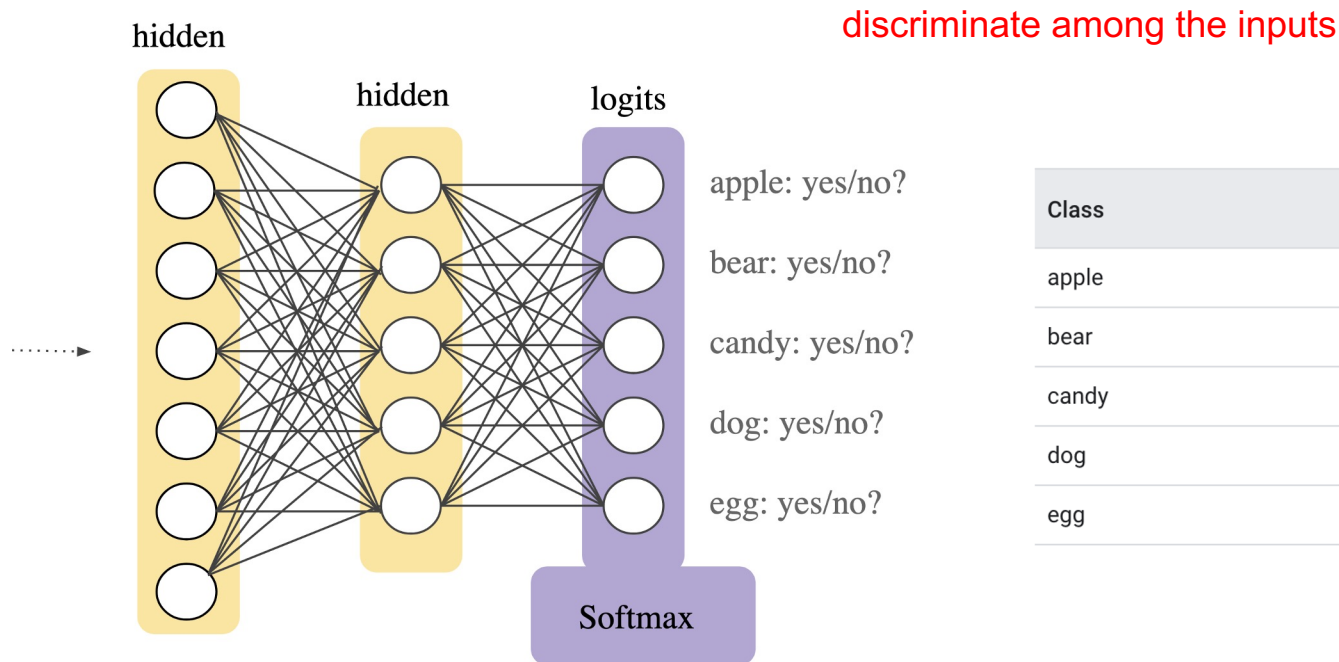
$$\sum_{j=1}^K e^{z_j} = e^{z_1} + e^{z_2} + e^{z_3} = 2981.0 + 148.4 + 1.0 = 3130.4$$

$$\frac{2981.0}{3130.4} = 0.9523$$

$$\frac{148.4}{3130.4} = 0.0474$$

$$\frac{1.0}{3130.4} = 0.0003$$

Softmax in Neural Networks



Class	Probability
apple	0.001
bear	0.04
candy	0.008
dog	0.95
egg	0.001

Models

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- Joint (e.g. Naïve Bayes)
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Discriminative Model vs Generative Model

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$$P(y|X)$$

Generative Model: Directly Model

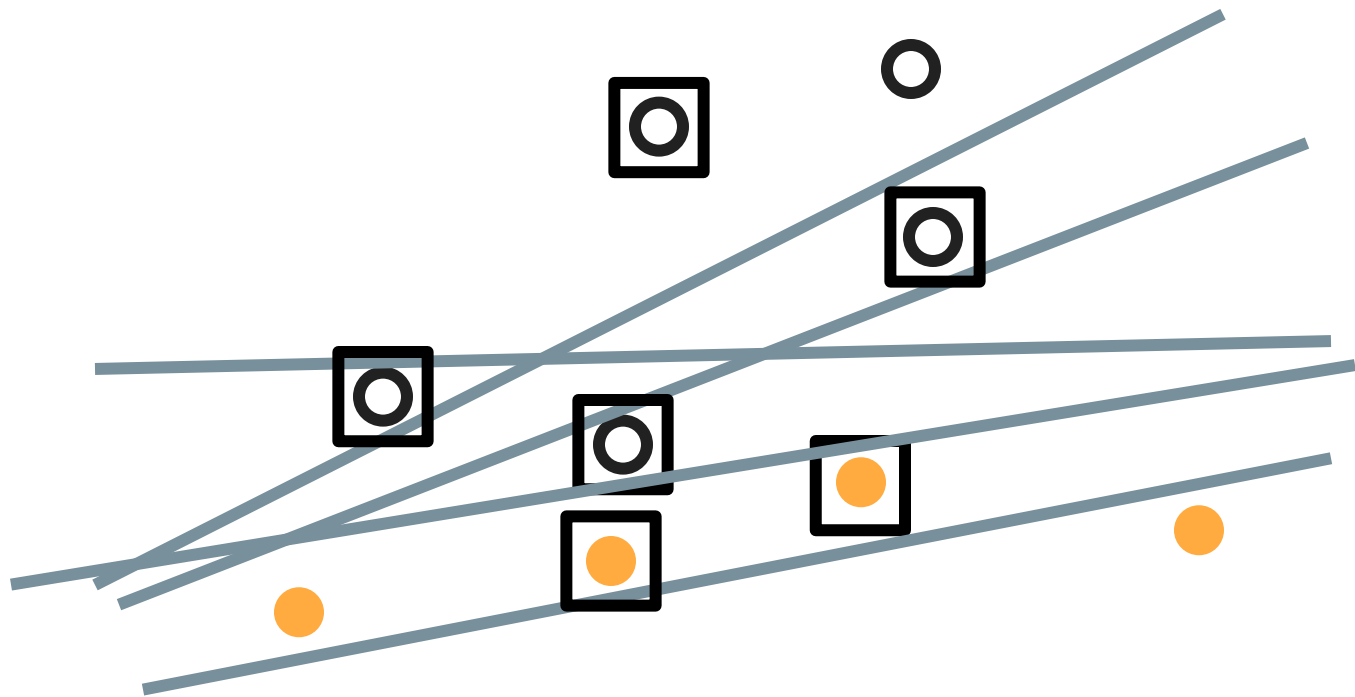
- maximize the **joint probability** of the training set of labeled documents
- maximum likelihood estimation (MLE)

$$\hat{\theta} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(x^{(1:N)}, y^{(1:N)}; \theta)$$

Perceptron (Separable Case)

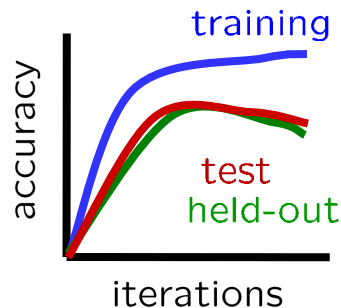
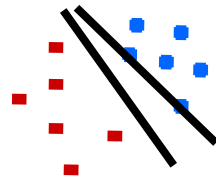
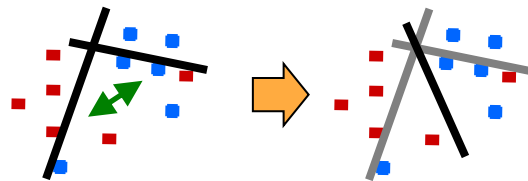
- The perceptron algorithm
 - Iteratively processes the training set, reacting to training errors
 - Can be thought of as trying to drive down training error
- The online (binary $\rightarrow y = \pm 1$) perceptron algorithm:
 - Start with zero weights
 - Visit training instances $(X^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$ one by one, until all correct
 - Make a prediction
 - If correct ($y^* == y^{(i)}$): no change, goto next example!
 - If wrong: adjust weights

Perceptron (Separating Hyperplane)



Problems with the Perceptron

- Noise: if the data isn't separable, weights might thrash
 - Averaging weight vectors over time can help (averaged perceptron)
- Mediocre generalization: finds a “barely” separating solution
- Overtraining: test / held-out accuracy usually rises, then falls
 - Overtraining is a kind of overfitting



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Logistics

- Gradescope submission
 - Assignments, Presentation slides, final project report

The screenshot shows a 'Group Members' modal window overlaid on a background of handwritten mathematical notes. The modal has a title bar 'Group Members' and an information icon. Below the title bar, a blue bar contains the text 'Add or remove group members for this submission.' The main content area states: 'Your instructor has allowed you to submit as a group of up to **any number of people**. You can change the group below. Students added or removed will be notified via email.' Below this text is a table with two columns: 'STUDENT' and 'REMOVE'. The table lists 'Olga Student' with a red 'x' icon in the 'REMOVE' column. At the bottom of the table is a text input field labeled 'Add student' with a dropdown arrow. Below the input field are two buttons: 'Add' (light blue) and 'Close' (red).

Variable

1. $f'(x) = 30x^4$
 $\frac{d}{dx}(5x^5)$
 $= 6x^4(5)$
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2. $\frac{d}{dx} e^{2x} \sin(x)$
 $= \boxed{2e^{2x} \sin(x) + e^{2x} \cos(x)}$

3.

sample home

GROUP
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TOTAL POINTS
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QUESTION 1
ch 1 ex 3

QUESTION 2
ch 13x 7a

QUESTION 3
ch 1 ex 7b

QUESTION 4
ch 2 ex 5

QUESTION 5
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Discriminative Model

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We then optimize the parameters to minimize the loss. Better model has lower loss

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)$$

How to Learn the parameters

- optimization

Optimize Objective Function by Gradient Descent

Calculate the gradient of the loss function with respect to the parameter

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\theta)}{\partial \theta}$$

Update θ by moving a small step in the gradient direction to decrease the loss

$$\theta_{\text{new}} \leftarrow \theta_{\text{old}} - \eta \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\theta)}{\partial \theta}$$

η is the **learning rate**

Gradient Descent

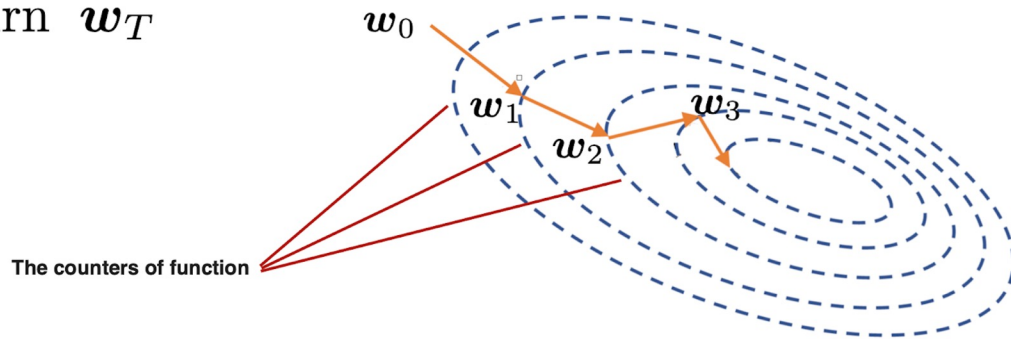
$$\mathbf{w}_0 = \mathbf{0}$$

for $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$

$$\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \mathbf{w}_t - \eta_t \nabla f(\mathbf{w}_t)$$

end for

return \mathbf{w}_T



Evaluation

- **Text classification**
- Ranking
- Natural language generation (NLG)

Evaluation

Accuracy

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

		Predicted condition	
		Positive (PP)	Negative (PN)
Actual condition	Positive (P)	True positive (TP), hit	False negative (FN), type II error, miss, underestimation
	Negative (N)	False positive (FP), type I error, false alarm, overestimation	True negative (TN), correct rejection

Evaluation

Precision

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{tp}{tp + fp}$$

Recall

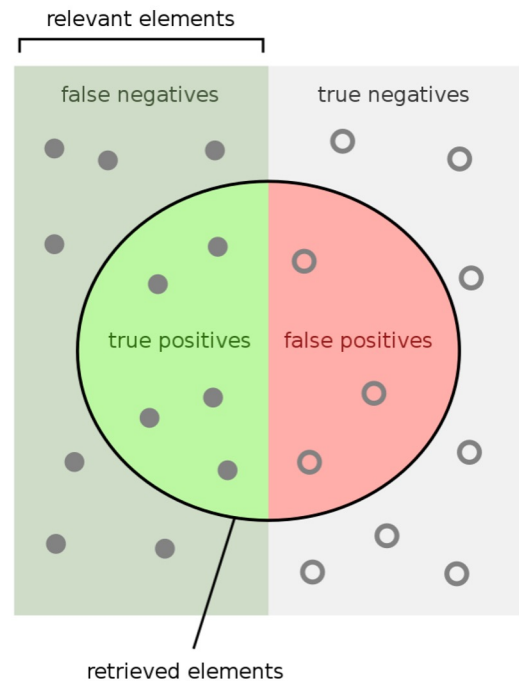
$$\text{Recall} = \frac{tp}{tp + fn}$$

F1 score: the harmonic mean of precision and recall

$$F_1 = 2 \cdot \frac{\text{precision} \cdot \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}}$$

- harmonic mean < geometric mean < arithmetic mean

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Precision_and_recall



How many retrieved items are relevant?

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{\text{green semi-circle}}{\text{green semi-circle} + \text{red semi-circle}}$$

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- The following confusion matrix summarizes the predictions made by the model:

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- Precision, Recall?

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- Precision, Recall, and F-1?

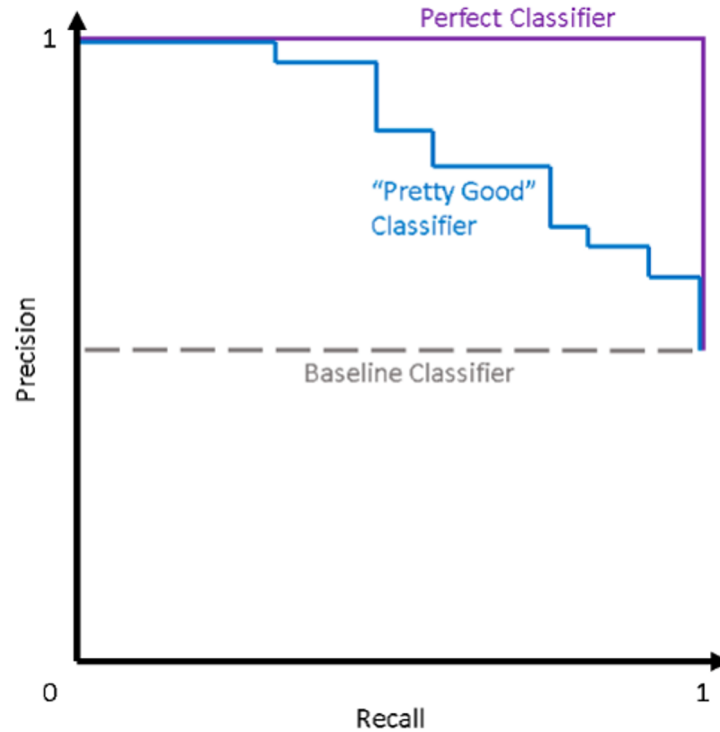
F-1 v.s. acc

- For example, suppose 90% of reviews are positive. If we have a model that simply predicts every review to be positive, the model would have a 90% acc.
- Value seems high, but ...

Rule of thumb

- We often use **accuracy** when the classes are balanced and there is no major downside to predicting false negatives.
- We often use **F1 score** when the classes are imbalanced and there is a serious downside to predicting false negatives.

Precision-Recall Curve



<https://medium.com/@douglaspsteen/precision-recall-curves-d32e5b290248>

ROC Curve

Recall is also called **True Positive Rate**

- True Positive / (True Positive + False Negative)

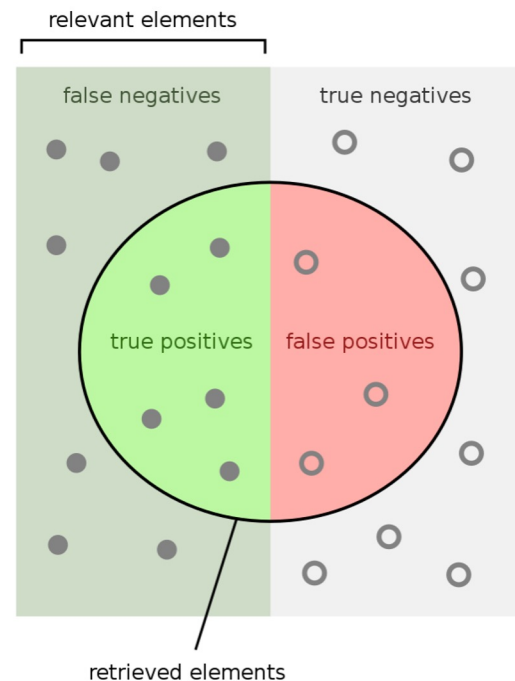
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By default, we can use 0.5 as threshold, but we can use other threshold as well. (varying)

As we change the threshold, both TPR and FPR change.

ROC curve: Receiver Operating Characteristic



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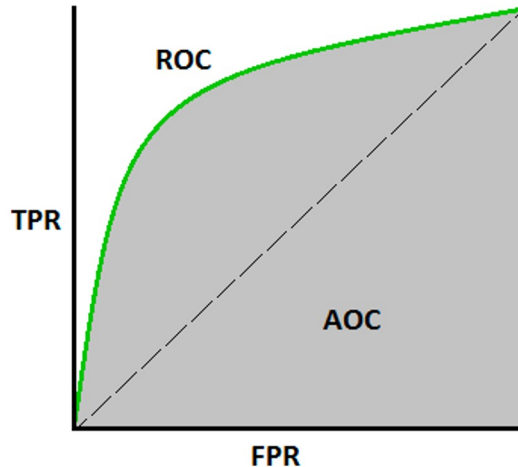
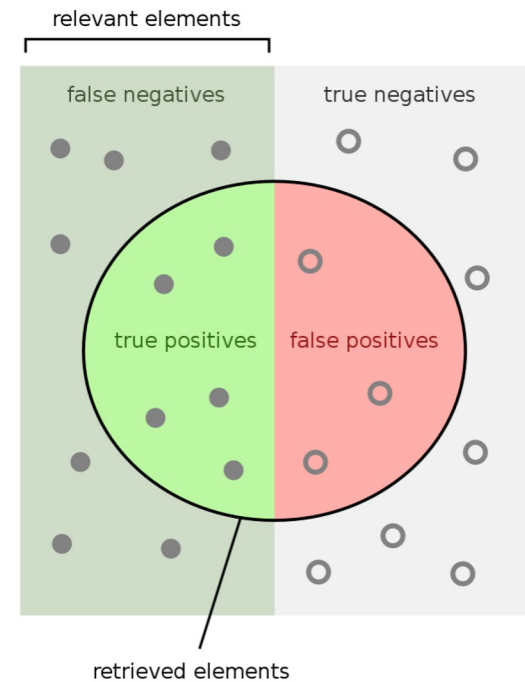
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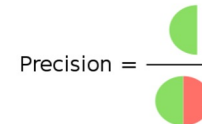
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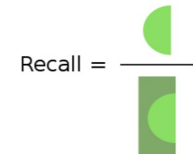
ROC is a probability curve

AUC represents the degree or measure of separability

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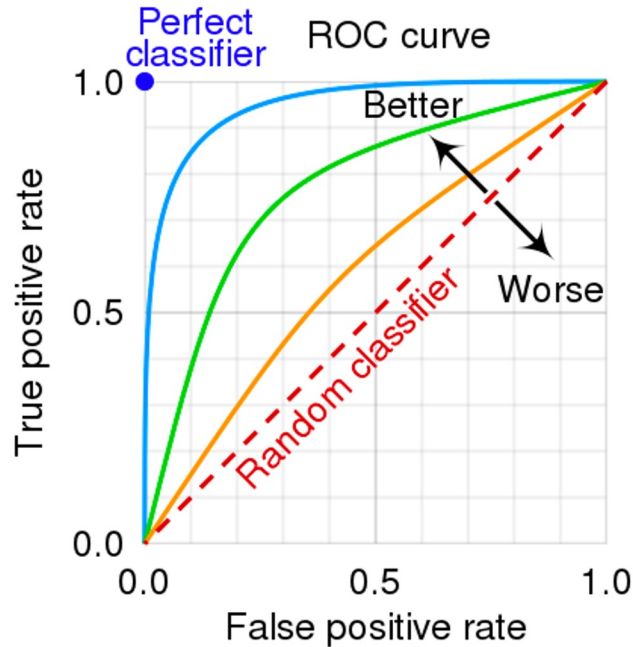
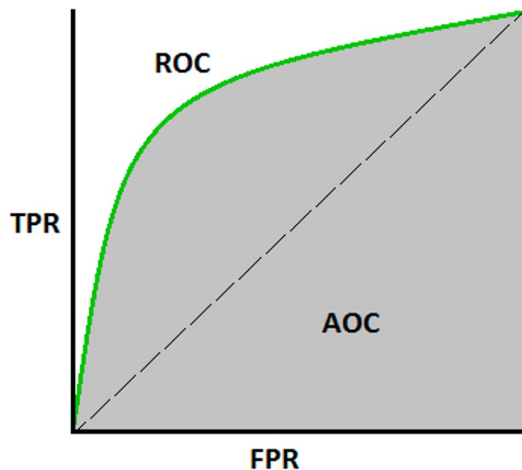
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AUC

AUC: Area under Curve

- AUC = 1: The perfect classifier
- AUC = 0.5: The random classifier
- AUC = 0: The worst classifier



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$$F_1 @ k = 2 \cdot \frac{(Precision@k) \cdot (Recall@k)}{(Precision@k) + (Recall@k)}$$

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Mean Average Precision

- average of AP over all examples in a test set.

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- MAP (Mean Average Precision)
- MRR (Mean reciprocal rank)

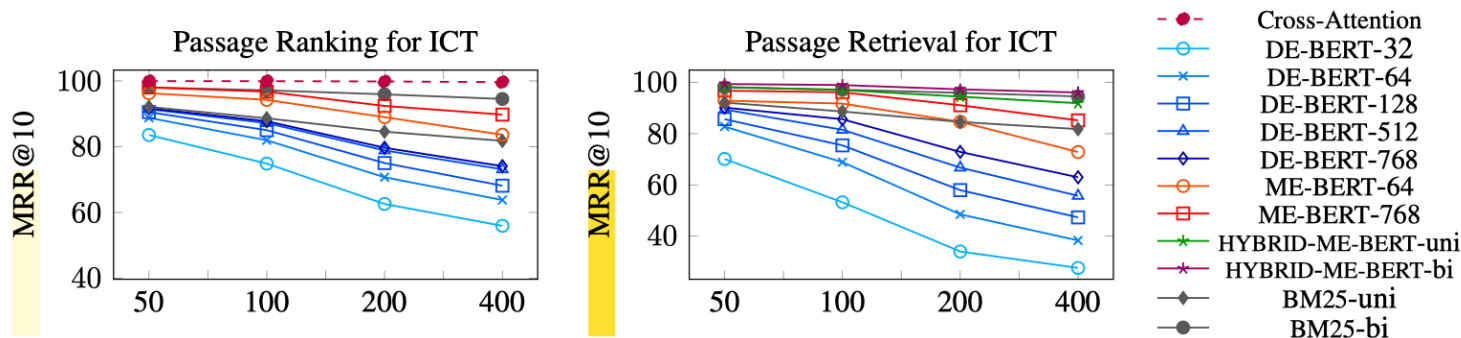


Figure 4: Results on the containing passage ICT task as maximum passage length varies (50 to 400 tokens). *Left*: Reranking 200 candidates; *Right*: Retrieval from three million candidates.

Evaluation for Natural Language **Generation**

(We will talk about this in more detail when we have lectures on NLG and Summarization.)

Automatic Evaluation

- Machine Translation: BLEU
- Summarization: ROUGE, METEOR
- Embedding-based Metric: MoverScore, BERTScore

n-gram based



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graph TD; A[n-gram based] --> B[Machine Translation: BLEU]; A --> C[Summarization: ROUGE, METEOR];
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Statistical Testing

We have two models ("baseline and our model") with similar accuracies. How can we tell whether the differences are due to consistent trends that hold on other datasets?

	Dataset 1	Dataset 2	Dataset 3
Generative	0.854	0.915	0.567
Discriminative	0.853	0.902	0.570

We need perform **Statistical (significance) testing!**

See [The Hitchhiker's Guide to Testing Statistical Significance in Natural Language Processing \(Dror et al., ACL 2018\)](#) for a complete overview.

Slides Credit: Graham Neubig

Significance Testing: Basic Idea

Given a quantity, we test certain values of uncertainty with respect to the quantity, e.g.

- **p-value**: what is the probability that a difference with another quantity is by chance (lower = more likelihood of a **significant** difference).
- **confidence interval**: what is the range under which we could expect another trial to fall?

Unpaired vs. Paired Tests

Unpaired Test: Compare means of a quantity on two unrelated groups

- Example: test significance of difference of accuracies of a model on two datasets

Paired Test: Compare means of a quantity on one dataset under two conditions

- Example: test significance of difference of accuracies of two models on one dataset

We are most commonly interested in **Paired Test!**

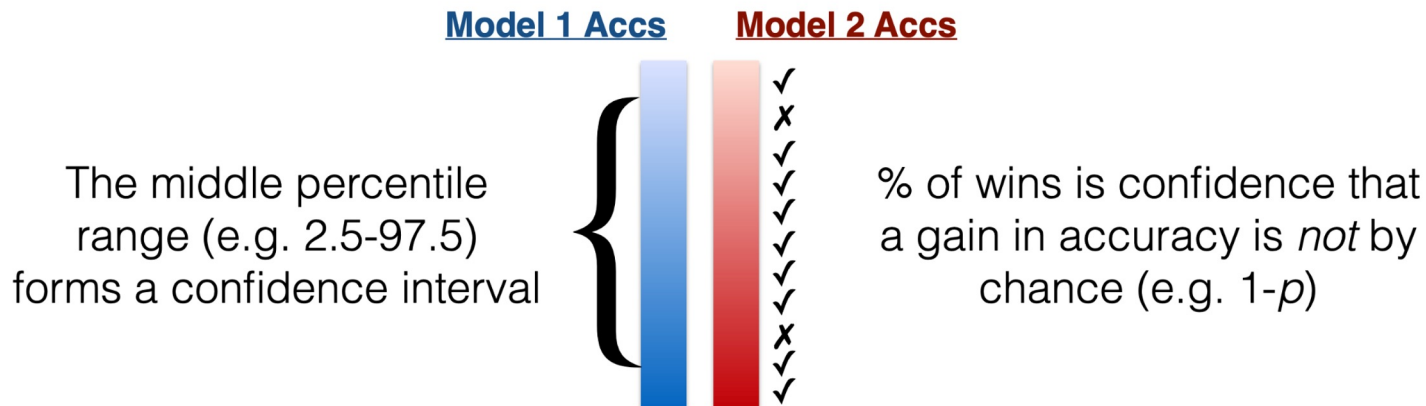
Bootstrap Tests

A method that can measure p-values, confidence intervals, etc. by re-sampling data.

Sample many (e.g. 10,000) subsets from your dev/test set with replacement.

Measure accuracies on these many subsets.

Easy to implement, applicable to any evaluation measure, but somewhat biased on small datasets.



Reporting results with Bootstrap Tests

- Our model outperforms “significantly”

Model	Event Trigger Identification			Event Trigger Classification			Event Argument Identification			Argument Role Classification		
	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1
JOINTBEAM (Li et al., 2013)	76.6	58.7	66.5	74.0	56.7	64.2	74.6	25.5	38.0	68.8	23.5	35.0
STAGEDMAXENT	73.9	66.5	70.0	70.4	63.3	66.7	75.7	20.2	31.9	71.2	19.0	30.0
WITHINEVENT	76.9	63.8	69.7	74.7	62.0	67.7	72.4	37.2	49.2	69.9	35.9	47.4
JOINTEVENTENTITY	77.6	65.4	71.0*	75.1	63.3	68.7	73.7	38.5	50.6*	70.6	36.9	48.4*

Table 3: Event extraction results on the ACE2005 test set. * indicates that the difference in F1 compared to the second best model (WITHINEVENT) is statistically significant ($p < 0.05$).

¹⁰All significance tests reported in this paper were computed using the paired bootstrap procedure (Berg-Kirkpatrick et al., 2012) with 10,000 samples of the test documents.